

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 15 are currently pending in the application.

This amendment is in response to the Office Action of August 11, 2003.

Claim Objections

Claims 1 and 15 are objected to due to informalities in the claim language. Appropriate correction has been made. Applicant asserts that the presently claimed inventions clearly comply with the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.83(a) as all features of the presently claimed inventions are clearly illustrated in the approved drawings in the application.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Claim Rejections

Claims 1, 4 through 9 and 11 through 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor, at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Applicant has amended the claimed invention as suggested in the Office Action for the presently claimed invention to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention to comply with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Therefore, presently amended claims 1, 4 through 9 and 11 through 15 are allowable under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Applicant further asserts that the presently amended claims in the application clearly comply with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 132 as no new matter has been added to the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 2, 3 and 10. It should be noted that allowed claims 2, 3, and 10 have been amended for the consistent usage of terminology throughout the pending claims.

In summary, Applicant submits that claims 1 through 15 are clearly allowable as they clearly comply with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 132, 35 U.S.C. § 112, and 37 CFR § 1.83(a).

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Applicant requests the allowance of claims 1 through 15 and the case passed for issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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